

The Healthy, Hunger-Free Kids Act will streamline certification periods in the WIC program and provide New York's 514,500 participants with better nutrition services coordination, increased opportunities for nutrition intervention, and more support and counseling time.

New York has 110 Farm to School programs. The Healthy, Hunger-Free Kids Act provides dedicated funding to help schools to support local agriculture and provide children with more health and nutrition education opportunities.

The Healthy, Hunger-Free Kids Act goes a long way toward improving the nutrition of our school meals and strengthening accountability to produce healthier results for our children. Finally, S. 3307 is fully paid for and will not add to the deficit.

#### HONORING MARK COVALL

### HON. FORTNEY PETE STARK

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, December 7, 2010*

Mr. STARK. Madam Speaker, I join with my colleague and friend DAVE CAMP (R-MI) to recognize Mr. Mark Covall, president and CEO of the National Association of Psychiatric Health Systems, NAPHS, who marks 25 years of service with the association this year.

NAPHS advocates for behavioral health and represents provider systems that own or manage more than 600 psychiatric hospitals, general hospital psychiatric and addiction treatment units and behavioral healthcare divisions, residential treatment facilities, youth services organizations, and extensive outpatient networks.

Over the course of the past quarter century, Mr. Covall has worked with diligence and integrity to bring the expertise of the association's member organizations to bear on policy development in support of the needs of Americans of all ages who experience serious mental and addictive conditions. The longevity—of both the association (founded in 1933) and the tenure of Mr. Covall—are rare in a field that has seen dramatic changes over the past decades.

Mr. Covall has overseen and influenced these changes. He has initiated and helped lead effective model coalitions bringing together the public and private sectors with consumers and families in support of landmark legislation, including the Paul Wellstone Mental Health and Addiction Equity Act. His collaborative leadership has also moved forward the development and implementation of the first publicly reported core measures for inpatient psychiatric services, now embedded in hospital accreditation.

We would like to take this opportunity to thank Mark Covall for his leadership, dedication, and advocacy through the National Association of Psychiatric Health Systems on behalf of the individuals and families throughout our Nation who are dealing with serious mental and addictive disorders.

IN HONOR OF DONALD W. HODGES  
FOR 50 SUCCESSFUL YEARS AS  
AN INVESTMENT BROKER AND  
SMALL BUSINESSMAN

### HON. KENNY MARCHANT

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, December 7, 2010*

Mr. MARCHANT. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor Donald W. Hodges, the co-founder of First Dallas Securities and Hodges Capital Management and the co-manager of Hodges Fund and Hodges Small Cap Fund. For 50 years Don has brought financial success to investors. Along with his three children—all of whom hold positions within his company—and 36 area employees, Don has made his business the gold standard of the investment industry.

Many people work until retirement age and begin to settle down. Don has only grown his business since he reached retirement age over 10 years ago, by adding Hodges Small Cap Fund in 2007 and Blue Chip; Equity Income; and Pure Contrarian funds last year. He is the epitome of the small business men and women who make up 80 percent of our nation's job creators.

Don began working with Merrill Lynch in 1960, and in 1974 joined Rauscher Pierce Refsnes, now Dain Rauscher. In 9 years he became President of Rauscher, and in 1981 was named one of the top 20 brokers by Registered Rep magazine. Six years ago he was profiled by CNN Money, where he was noted for both his outstanding business practices and the financial success he has enjoyed.

Don has worked hard to improve his community even beyond his businesses. One of his more prominent positions is on the Foundation Board of Directors for West Texas A&M University, where he encourages students to attend WTAMU because of the values the institution professes.

Small businesses are a critical component to our economy, and Don has done more than most to increase the size of the pie for all who have been associated with him for his five decades in the investment business. It is for this reason I ask all of my colleagues to join me in honoring Donald W. Hodges on this day.

#### NATIONAL MEDIA SHOW BIAS ON TAXES

### HON. LAMAR SMITH

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, December 7, 2010*

Mr. SMITH of Texas. Madam Speaker, the national media have framed the tax debate from a liberal perspective.

For example, the media frequently say Republicans favor extending tax "cuts," which implies lowering tax rates from their current level.

In fact, Republicans support extending the existing tax rates to avoid a \$3.9 trillion tax increase on every taxpaying American.

Furthermore, the media often say that Republicans support tax cuts for the rich. However, they rarely mention that the country's top earners already pay a disproportionately large share of the nation's taxes.

In fact, the top 1 percent of earners pay a larger share of the income tax burden than the bottom 95 percent of earners combined. And many of the top 1 percent are small business owners who create jobs and stimulate the economy.

The national media should give Americans the facts on taxes, not tell them what to think.

#### A TRIBUTE TO MS. FRANKIE COOPER

### HON. EDOLPHUS TOWNS

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, December 7, 2010*

Mr. TOWNS. Madam Speaker, I rise today in recognition of Ms. Frankie Cooper.

Ms. Cooper was born on October 10, 1992, in Brooklyn, New York. She is the daughter of two proud parents, Mary and Steven Cooper; the granddaughter of Bertha and Charlie Johnson; and holds the loving support of her mother's fiancé, and future stepfather, Wilbert Tee Lawton.

Ms. Cooper is a very dedicated student that excels at everything she puts her mind to. Ms. Cooper attended various private schools during her academic career in Brooklyn: Emanuel Baptist Church Christian School, Saukoka Academy, Saint Paul's Community Christian School and Bishop Loughlin Memorial High School. Ms. Cooper always strived toward academic excellence. Among her many accomplishments, Ms. Cooper maintained her honor roll status throughout high school and successfully graduated with an Advanced Regents Diploma. Ms. Cooper was also inducted into the National Society of High School Scholars.

Beyond Ms. Cooper's dedication to academics, she has a clear commitment to philanthropy. Throughout high school, she volunteered at food banks, nursing homes and hospitals. In total, she donated over 100 hours of her personal time for the benefit of others. Involvement in community service enabled Ms. Cooper to realize her leadership potential; she later became Vice President of her school's Leadership Council and a member of her school's student government. She single-handedly managed an annual school fundraiser for her high school's sister school, St. Mary's, in Kenya. At graduation, Ms. Cooper was surprised with an honor bestowed to only two seniors every year: a place on Bishop Loughlin Memorial High School's Wall of Who's Who, an honor also bestowed upon the Hon. Rudolph W. Giuliani, former Mayor of New York City.

Ms. Cooper has dreamed of becoming a doctor since she was two years old. In 2007, she was accepted into the Arthur Ashe Program at Downstate Medical School in Brooklyn, New York. This highly competitive program was designed to provide opportunity for inner-city students who exemplify outstanding academic success and show an interest in the medical field. From a pool of 5,000 applicants, Ms. Cooper was one of only twenty-five students accepted into this prestigious program. She graduated at the top of her class in 2010.

Today, Ms. Cooper is a freshman biology major at Howard University in Washington, D.C. She is already an active member of the Howard community; recently, Ms. Cooper was